# ALCF Early Science Program



# ESP Kick-Off Workshop Introduction

Plan, legalities, introductions, overview

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## Legalities and Security

- Workshop open only to registered participants
  - Your name badge is your pass
- IBM AECI agreements
  - Agreement for Exchange of Confidential Information
  - Each individual's home institution must have signed
    - Base agreement
    - Blue Gene/Q Supplement
  - Confidentiality of Blue Gene/Q information
    - Unsure if information is confidential? Email earlyscience@alcf.anl.gov
- Please treat Workshop materials, discussions as confidential
  - Next-generation Blue Gene/Q hardware specifics
  - Software for Blue Gene/Q

AECI signed with 30 institutions

### Who's Here?

- 77 participants from 23 institutions
- Representatives from Early Science Program projects
  - 39 People, 16 institutions
- 7 IBM representatives
- 12 ALCF Catalysts & Performance Engineers
  - Applications/technical questions
- Libraries, Tools, and Programming Models Project partipants
  - Kalyan Kumaran (Kumar)
  - 26 People, 9 institutions
- Robert Scott (ALCF User Services)
  - Accounts, login, CRYPTOCards
- Sue Gregurich (ALCF)
  - Workshop logistics



### Plan for Workshop

### IBM talks on Blue Gene/Q

- Hardware
- Software
- Performance, simulator
- Compilers
- Messaging

# GFDL preliminary performance results

### 15-minute ESP project presentations

- Current code, methods, parallelism, dependencies
- Needs for Blue Gene/Q
- Plan for next 6 months

#### From ALCF/MCS

- Performance tools plans
- Programming models
- Mira acceptance-test applications
- ALCF I/O plans
- BG/Q Tools Project

#### Breakout Session (Tools project)

Performance monitors update

#### Working Lunches

- Help with ALCF resources
- Discuss ESP postdocs
- Plan future workshops

#### Reception Tonight

Group Photo – Monday 3:30 Coffee Break



### **Early Science Program**

- ALCF Next-Generation IBM Blue Gene/Q machine Mira
  - Delivered 2012
  - Production 2013
- N Months between acceptance and production:
  Early Science Period
  - 2 billion core-hours dedicated to ESP Projects
    - 12-15 projects → large blocks computer time
    - Must burn time fast.
      - 2 years to get ready
      - Mira has ~5X cores of present-day Blue Gene/P machine Intrepid
        - » 20X as fast (10 petaFLOPS)
      - Prepare applications to scale
        - » Node-level parallelism



### **ESP Projects**

- Call for proposals April 2010
- 40 viable proposals submitted
- 16 awards
  - Target usage on Mira (50 150 million core hours)
  - Development time on Intrepid (4 15 million core hours over 2 years)
  - About 15 postdoctoral positions focusing on ESP projects
  - Collaboration with ALCF staff and IBM



# Science Area Representation

	Awarded Projects	All 40 Proposals
Chemistry	2	4
Nuclear Structure	2	2
Biology	2	4
Materials	1	2
Astro/Cosmology	2	8
Climate	1	4
Fusion	1	2
Geophysics	1	1
Combustion	2	2
Plasma	0	2
Energy	1	1
Computer Science	0	2
CFD/Aero	1	5
Atomic Physics	0	1



# Institutional Representation

	Awarded Projects	All 40 Proposals
National Labs	7	14
Universities	10	24
Industry	0	1



# **National Representation**

	Awarded Projects	All 40 Proposals
United States	15	37
Foreign	1	3



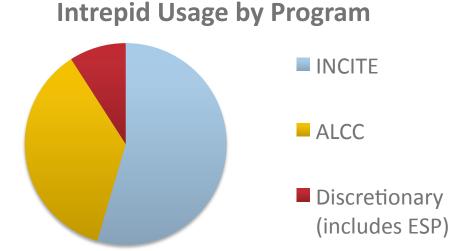
# Algorithm/Method Representation

	Awarded Projects	All 40 Proposals
Structured Grids	8	25
Unstructured Grids	5	19
FFT	6	19
Dense Linear Algebra	3	9
Sparse Linear Algebra	4	12
Particles/N-Body	5	11
Monte Carlo	2	2



### Develop on Present-Day ALCF Machines

- ALCF's Blue Gene/P machine, Intrepid
  - 40K nodes, 160K cores
  - 3D torus primary interconnect
  - 2 GB per node
  - 8 PB online disk
- ESP allocations for development
  - Prepare applications for Mira



**INCITE**: Novel Computational Impact on Theory and Experiment

**ALCC:** ASCR Leadership Computing Challenge

ASCR: DOE Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research



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### ESP Proposal Solicitation and Review

### Forthcoming Call for Proposals publicized

- SC09 talks at ANL booth by Messina and Riley
- Flyer mailed to all ALCF users (about 500) on 18 December 2009

### January 29, 2010 – Call for proposals issued

- ALCF website, INCITE website, ANL main website,
- Email to over 800 people: INCITE and Discretionary ALCF users, 2009 INCITE proposal submitters, BlueGene Consortium, ad hoc list including SciDAC recipients

### April 29, 2010 – Call for proposals closed

#### Proposal Review

- Computational Readiness: 2-3 ALCF staff reviewers per proposal
- Science Impact: 1-2 reviewers with science domain expertise (from ALCF, ANL, and larger scientific communities)
- Ranking process resulting in recommendations
  - 1. Numerical scores from 2 review phases
  - 2. Group discussion by ALCF staff reviewers
  - 3. ALCF and CELS management discussion
- Pls notified of results August 6, 2010



#### NOT SHOWN: MPI, MPI-IO, OpenMP

### Library and Tool Usage

	Recommended	All 40 Proposals
NetCDF	3	5
HDF	5	11
VisIt	2	6
ParaView	2	5
IDL	1	1
FFTW, FFTPACK5, P3DFFT, ESSL FFT	5	11
BLAS, ESSL BLAS	4	5
LAPACK	2	6
ScaLAPACK	1	3
MASS, MASSV, ESSL	1	3
parMETIS	1	1
PETSc	1	1
Python	1	4
Tau	0	1
Scalasca	0	1
Charm++	2	3
Chombo	1	1
GASNet	1	1

COLORS: BG/Q PORT Kumar's tool effort IBM Other efforts